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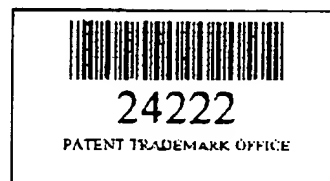
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.85 and 1.115

Please enter the following preliminary amendments and remarks in the above-identified application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-137

Please add new claims 138-201 as follows:

138. An article comprising:

a plurality of fill yarns and warp yarns woven to form a fabric having a fill yarn round packed cover factor of at least about 75% and a warp yarn round packed cover factor of at least about 26%, the fabric including therein at least one fiber of a first type and least one fiber of a type different from the first type.

139. The article as in claim 138, wherein the fabric has a fill yarn round packed cover factor of at least about 88%.